Farm Labor: Employment and Wage Rates, U.S.¹ and Corn Belt II² April 6-12, 2003, with Comparisons

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	April 7-13, 2002		January 12-18, 2003		April 6-1	April 6-12, 2003	
Farm Employment	Corn Belt II	U.S.	Corn Belt II	U.S.	Corn Belt II	U.S.	
	Thousands						
Hired Workers							
Expected to be Employed	27	890	20	*729	24	781	
150 Days or More	21	722	17	*614	20	619	
149 Days or Less	6	168	3	115	4	162	
Agricultural Services							
Workers Working on Farms	NA	189	NA	160	NA	157	
Hired Farm & Service Workers	NA	1,079	NA	*889	NA	938	
	Hours per Week						
Hours Worked							
Hired	32.5	40.2	27.2	*37.7	36.6	40.1	
	Dollars per Hour						
Wage Rates for			•				
All Hired Workers ^{3,4}	9.34	8.83	9.50	*9.34	10.71	9.16	
Type of Worker							
Field & Livestock Combined	8.89	8.15	9.08	8.50	9.97	8.49	
Field	7.84	8.06	9.24	*8.30	9.94	8.40	
Livestock	9.82	8.43	9.01	*8.90	10.00	8.75	

^{*}Revised. ¹Excludes Alaska. ²Consists of Iowa and Missouri. ³ Benefits, such as housing and meals, are provided some workers but the values are not included in the wage rates. ⁴ Excludes Agricultural Service Workers.

NOTE: Self-employed and unpaid worker numbers, wage rates for supervisory, other type of workers, hourly, piece rate, and other methods of pay were discontinued.